

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the following amended Abstract of the Disclosure:

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The invention provides an information reading unit including a light emitting section for irradiating a light on an object, and a light receiving section for converting a light reflected from the object into an electric signal, wherein at least a part of the light receiving section has a light transmitting property, and the light receiving section and the light emitting section are laminated or the light receiving section and the light emitting section are provided on the same optical axis, and an information reading device wherein an electric signal obtained by the light receiving section is converted into a digital signal by using the information reading unit.

~~{Selected Drawing}~~ ————— Fig. 1